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City of Flagstaff TRAFFIC COMMISSION

4:00 PM, Wednesday, August 9, 2006

City Council Chambers
211 W. Aspen Avenue



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CALL TO ORDER

COMMISSION MEMBERS, voting:

Roger Fontanini
Nathan Shelley
Ruth Porter-Tilman
Jack Welch
Vacant appointed citizen position
Flagstaff Unified School District
(vacant)

CITY COUNCIL LIAISON, voting:
COMMISSION MEMBERS, non-voting:

Scott Overton
Lt. Kim Cook,
Flagstaff Police Department
Gerry Craig,
Traffic Engineering Manager

CITY STAFF:

Michelle Tanaka,
Recording Secretary

CERTIFICATION OF POSTING OF NOTICE

The undersigned hereby certifies that a copy of the foregoing notice was duly posted at Flagstaff City Hall on _____, 2006, at _____ in accordance with the statement filed with the City Clerk.

I. PRELIMINARY GENERAL BUSINESS

A. Welcome New Members

Mr. Nathan Shelley, appointed by City Council on August 1, 2006.

Vice-Mayor Scott Overton, Council representative, replacing Councilman Joe Haughey.

B. Election of Chair and Vice-chair

The Commission's charter states that the Officers of the Commission shall be elected from the citizen membership of the Commission.

C. PUBLIC COMMENT

At this time any member of the public may address the Commission on any subject within the Commission's jurisdiction that is not on this meeting's agenda. Individual commissioners may ask questions of the public, but are prohibited by the open meeting law from discussing or acting on the item until it is placed on the agenda.

To address the Commission on an item that is on the agenda, please wait for the Chair to call for Public Comment at the time the item is heard.

D. APPROVAL of MINUTES.

Regular Meeting of July 12, 2006

E. REORDER AGENDA

II. OLD BUSINESS

A. TC 06-001-- Request from Bow and Arrow neighborhood to reduce traffic volumes and speeding in their neighborhood.

At its July meeting the Commission approved moving forward to the public information steps in the Residential Neighborhood Traffic Management Process; i.e., to implement intersection modifications at two intersections: Lake Mary Road with Cochise and Mohawk Drives, and at Zuni Drive with Walapai Drive

One resident of the neighborhood requested further discussion of two other alternative designs for the intersection Zuni and Walapai.

Announcements of this meeting have been mailed to all addresses within the Bow and Arrow Neighborhood, inviting residents to comment on the proposed modifications.

RECOMMENDED ACTION: Discuss the alternatives and approve moving to the next steps in the Residential Neighborhood Traffic Management Process, before studies, and installation of trial diverter at the intersection of Lake Mary Road with Cochise and Mohawk Drives. Modifications at Zuni Drive and Walapai Drive should be postponed until the effect of the Lake Mary intersection modifications have been assessed.

B. TC 06-009 – Request from D. Jean Griego, Sunnyside Neighborhood Association, for the City to relocate the Izabel Street traffic diverter.

At its July meeting the Commission approved the neighborhood's request to install a partial traffic diverter at the intersection of Iabell Street and Sixth Avenue; and, if this proves successful, to remove the existing barrier from Izabel Street south of Second Avenue.

This approved diverter would restrict some of the traffic movements at the intersection, not allowing northbound or southbound through movements on Izabel Street through the intersection, and, not allowing the left turn from Sixth Avenue to southbound on Izabel Street.

The diverter will be installed initially on a trial basis to assess its design and impact on traffic flow. Ultimately it will be constructed as a permanent feature as a part of the West Street reconstruction project.

Announcements describing the proposed changes in traffic flow have been mailed to the residents on Izabel Street, inviting them to come to this meeting if they have questions or concerns about the changes.

RECOMMENDED ACTION: Staff recommends that the Commission receive comments from the public and, if appropriate, authorize staff to proceed with the trial installation of the requested diverter.

C. TC 06-007 – Request from MS. Joanne Newman, 1320 E. Linda Vista Drive for traffic calming devices to be installed on Linda Vista Drive in the vicinity of Chinwood Drive and Monte Vista Drive.

Ms. Newman has made initial contacts with some of the neighbors and distributed a survey soliciting ideas from others. Working with the Police Department she has also established a block watch program. Busy summer schedules have not allowed a full discussion of alternatives. Ms. Newman will update the Commission on the status of the project.

III. NEW BUSINESS

A. TC 06-010 – Request from Kimberly Sharp, City Redevelopment Director, to discuss formation of a Downtown Parking District.

Ms. Sharp will report on the status of the Parking District Proposal, and solicit Commission comment and suggestions.

B. TC 06-011 – Request from Mr. Darrell Richardson, Managing Director for Sterling Pines Condominium Development Project at 3001 East Butler Avenue, to address and discuss the process being undertaken to relocate Herold Ranch Road at Butler Avenue.

Normally the Commission would not be involved with a particular development project as the details of private development projects lie outside the purview of the City Traffic Commission. Some of the issues raised by Mr. Richardson are related to current staff level

projects to improve Butler Avenue from I-40 to Sinagua Heights and to update the regional land use and transportation plan for the far south side of the community. Major planning and capital issues are frequently presented for review and comment or to update the Commission on transportation projects.

Mr. Richardson will present his concerns about this on-going planning project and the potential impacts on or benefits to his development.

RECOMMENDED ACTION: The staff recommendation is that no action be taken. Staff will relay Commissioner's comments and questions regarding these two projects to their respective project managers.

IV. CONCLUDING GENERAL BUSINESS

A. Reports

- 1) Report from Bicycle and Pedestrian Advisory Committees.
- 2) Status of Traffic Commission Items.
 - TC 06-003-- Request from City Council to consider measures to mitigate the effects of the diversion of traffic into the remainder of the Smokerise neighborhood due to the implementation of the Dodge Avenue diverters.

The crosswalks at the intersection of Smokerise Drive and Native Way, approved by the Commission at the July meeting, have been ordered.

- **TC 06-006 – Request from Ms. Van Camp-Horn, 2531 E. Joshua for pedestrian safety improvements on 7th Avenue near King Street.**

This item is on hold pending the completion of studies of crash history, pedestrian patterns and traffic volume changes due to the completion of the 4th Street overpass project. The overpass is currently expected to be open to traffic in the first week of September. The item may be brought back to the Commission in November.

- **TC 06-008 – Request from Ms. Cindy Pickett, Sinagua High School, for the Commission to address the traffic problem around the school.**

Staff is still developing additional crash studies and will observe any identified problems after school begins in August. Any additional recommendations resulting from these studies will be brought to the Commission.

B. Informational Items to/from Commissioners and Staff

C. Next Meeting:

Date: September 13, 2006; 4:00 PM

Agenda Items:

ADJOURNMENT